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MEMORANDUM FOR THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, NATIONAL FOREIGN
INTELLIGENCE BOARD

SUBJECT: Senate Select Committee on Intelligence Oversight of the
Intelligence Community

Reference: Your memorandum, NFIB-8.2/1, dated 26 Sep 77, subject:
Responses Solicited on Questions Raised at 23 September NFIB.

1. The Defense Intelligence Agency has enjoyed a constructive and harmonious relationship with the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence during the past year. In the several instances in which Defense Intelligence Agency personnel have worked with the Committee, we have been impressed with the interest, objectivity, and responsibility displayed by Members and staff alike. Much of the credit for this fine working relationship belongs to the Chairman, Senator Inouye. His tenure as Chairman of the Select Committee has been characterized by serious concern both for the development and enhancement of the Intelligence Community's capabilities and for the protection of sensitive intelligence information. At the same time, the Committee has conscientiously pursued its oversight responsibilities through scrutiny of our budget, case studies of our performance of collection, analysis, and management functions, and reviews of problems such as compartmentation and security. In all its endeavors, the Committee Members and staff have treated Defense Intelligence Agency personnel courteously and fairly. In sum, we are most impressed with the highly professional performance of the Select Committee under Senator Inouye's leadership.

2. The Defense Intelligence Agency has no specific suggestions on how the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence might improve its oversight of the Intelligence Community. The Committee's record to date is commendable and we anticipate that, as Members and staff become increasingly familiar with our work, the relationship between the Defense Intelligence Agency and the Select Committee will continue to flourish.

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